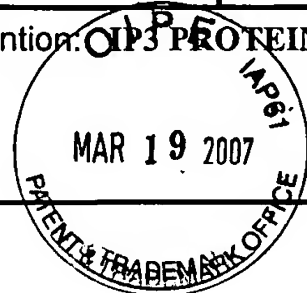


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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated 1/24/2007, with a shortened statutory period set for response on April 24, 2007, please enter the following response and amendment(s). A complete listing of all claims, replacing all prior claims in the application, and including the text of all non-cancelled claims, is attached.

This Amendment and Response is accompanied by a Fee Transmittal Form, Transmittal Form, a check in the amount of \$280.00 for an additional independent claim and for an IDS as provided in 37 CFR 1.17(p), an IDS form 1449, accompanying references, Exhibit 1 and a postcard.

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.